

# SENATE RECORD VOTE ANALYSIS

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Vote No. 165

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## INTERSTATE WASTE TRANSPORTATION/Cloture

**SUBJECT:** Interstate Transportation of Municipal Solid Waste Act of 1995 . . . S. 534. Specter motion to close debate.

### ACTION: CLOTURE MOTION REJECTED, 50-47

**SYNOPSIS:** As reported, S. 534, the Interstate Transportation of Municipal Solid Waste Act of 1995, will allow States to place limits on the import of out-of-State municipal solid waste, will provide limited authority to States and municipalities to specify the destination sites for municipal solid wastes in their districts (flow control), and will reinstate the groundwater monitoring exemption for small municipal landfills (that exemption was reversed as a result of a Sierra Club lawsuit).

On May 10, 1995, Senator Specter sent to the desk, for himself and others, a motion to close debate on the bill.

NOTE: The motion to invoke cloture requires a three-fifths majority (60) vote of the Senate to succeed.

**Those favoring** the motion to invoke cloture contended:

If Senators want to see S. 534 become law, they cannot allow much further delay. The Senate will begin debate on the budget resolution next week. If S. 534 is not completed by that time, it will be withdrawn. We understand that some Senators would like to propose further amendments, but we urge them to keep in mind the danger that action would pose. Most of those Senators would like to see this bill pass, but if their amendments are accepted, the result might be to tip sentiment against the bill. Right now, we have a precarious majority of Senators favoring its passage. Especially given the time constraint under which we are operating, we should not risk upsetting this majority sentiment. Accordingly, we urge Senators to vote to close debate, to bring consideration of this bill to a rapid conclusion.

**Those opposing** the motion to close debate contended:

We appreciate our colleagues' views, but we have numerous proposals for improving this legislation. At this point, we do not want

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YEAS (50)		NAYS (47)			NOT VOTING (3)	
Republicans (50 or 96%)	Democrats (0 or 0%)	Republicans (2 or 4%)	Democrats (45 or 100%)		Republicans (2)	Democrats (1)
Abraham	Hutchison	D'Amato	Akaka	Hollings	Specter <sup>-2</sup>	Pell <sup>-2</sup>
Ashcroft	Inhofe	Gorton	Baucus	Inouye	Warner <sup>-2</sup>	
Bennett	Jeffords		Biden	Johnston		
Bond	Kassebaum		Bingaman	Kennedy		
Brown	Kempthorne		Boxer	Kerrey		
Burns	Kyl		Bradley	Kerry		
Campbell	Lott		Breaux	Kohl		
Chafee	Lugar		Bryan	Lautenberg		
Coats	Mack		Bumpers	Leahy		
Cochran	McCain		Byrd	Levin		
Cohen	McConnell		Conrad	Lieberman		
Coverdell	Murkowski		Daschle	Mikulski		
Craig	Nickles		Dodd	Moseley-Braun		
DeWine	Packwood		Dorgan	Moynihan		
Dole	Pressler		Exon	Murray		
Domenici	Roth		Feingold	Nunn		
Faircloth	Santorum		Feinstein	Pryor		
Frist	Shelby		Ford	Reid		
Gramm	Simpson		Glenn	Robb		
Grams	Smith		Graham	Rockefeller		
Grassley	Snowe		Harkin	Sarbanes		
Gregg	Stevens		Heflin	Simon		
Hatch	Thomas			Wellstone		
Hatfield	Thompson					
Helms	Thurmond					

#### EXPLANATION OF ABSENCE:

1—Official Business  
2—Necessarily Absent  
3—Illness  
4—Other

#### SYMBOLS:

AY—Announced Yea  
AN—Announced Nay  
PY—Paired Yea  
PN—Paired Nay

to foreclose our opportunity for making those proposals. Though this issue may be novel to many Senators, it is of great financial concern to many of our constituents. We would not be serving those constituents well if we were to vote to close debate at this time. Therefore, we must oppose the motion to invoke cloture.